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would have to consent to being manacled or shackled or wearing restraints and, because a person would rather do almost anything than be locked up, he or she might agree to it, not that he or she is a threat. But the day could come, as has happened even in this state, where an attempt is made to make a great show of being tough on crime, and the way to do it, better than any other way, is to have shackled prisoners out there working beside the road, doing whatever they may be required to do. So I doubt that any director of Corrections would be foolish enough to risk his or her position by sending people out to do this work who would be menaces to the public. I'm not so much concerned about them menacing the public as I am about perhaps the inmates being taken advantage of. So this is one of those preventative measures which may never have been necessary anyway but, because of things that I've seen happen in other states, I just want to put this protection into the law while we're changing the law. But on my close I have...during my closing, I have one question of Senator Baker.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Baker, would you respond?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Baker, some of these things I can discuss with you off the mike, but for the record, the word "board" is in there. We already allow them to work for agencies, and "board" is inserted. What kind of boards, or could I get an example of a board which might use inmates in this manner if you have any off the top of your head?

SENATOR BAKER: I think fair...I always talk about fair boards. I don't think they're a commission. I think...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, okay.

SENATOR BAKER: ...you know, Agricultural Society Fair Boards, I think are listed in statute, so that's what comes to mind.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, thank you. That's all I have, Mr. President.